

I request that you do not stop XM radio from offering local information on their broadcast frequencies. I live in an area where I find it difficult to get AM radio which has the traffic and weather information for the San Francisco bay area when I travel as little as 5 miles from my house. XM radio is a service that I subscribe to and there is no reason that they should be restricted from broadcasting anything that is not illegal. Why should the National Association of Broadcasters be afraid of a pay to listen service. They are asking for protection from competition in a changing market they are attempting to benefit themselves at my expense. I should have the freedom to choose what I want to listen to, from who I wish to listen to. If they lose listeners, maybe it's because they don't offer programing that I care to listen to, but it should be my choice to listen to whomevers broadcast I want. You should tell them to "go pound sand" and deny their request to restrict my ability to choose my broadcaster. To sum up, please reject petition 04-160 as nothing more than a ploy to restrict XM radios ability to compete freely without hinderance. If you do allow this it will be a disservice to the country because it inhibits free choice by free people.